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From: Commander, Fleet Activities Sasebo
To: Active Duty and Reserve Personnel, Retirees, Military Dependents, Civilian Employees, Contractors, Host Nation Civilian Employees and Anyone with Installation Access

Subj: UPDATED PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER

Ref: (a) CFAS Public Health Order dtd 10 Sep 21
(b) USFJ Force Public Health Order 21-003 with Correction 1 dtd 3 Sep 21
(c) Combined Appendices to USFJ Force Health Protection Order 21-003 dtd 3 Sep 21
(d) CNFJ/CNRJ COVID-19 Leave and Liberty Policy Update 4 of 22 Jun 21
(e) CNFJ/CNRJ COVID-19 Restriction of Movement Guidance in Response to COVID 19 Update VI dtd 17 Sep 21
(f) NAVADMIN 037/21 (U.S. Navy Standard Covid-19 Standard Operational Guidance)
(g) NAVADMIN 059/21
(h) CNFJ/CNRJ U.S. Naval Forces Japan Mask Policy (Update III) dtd 3 Aug 21
(i) Secretary of Defense Memorandum: Updated Mask Guidelines for all DoD Installations and Other Facilities dtd 28 Jul 21
(j) Secretary of the Navy Memorandum: Use of Masks and Other Public Health Measures of 4 Mar 21
(k) COMNAVFOR Japan Memo 5000 Ser N00/1158 dtd 22 Jun 21

Encl: (1) CFAS Restriction of Movement Requirements and Guidelines dtd 23 Sep 21
(2) Maps of Off-Limits Areas dtd 23 Sep 21
(3) Commander, Fleet Activities Sasebo Mask Guidelines dtd 23 Sep 21
(4) Template of Request for Exception to Policy Request (ETP) Form
(5) ROM Flow Chart
(6) Mask-Free Area Sign

1. This Public Health Order (PHO) replaces reference (a) and implements the Japan-wide Public Health Emergency declared in reference (b). This updated PHO **incorporates key changes to ROM policy in reference (e). Furthermore, Limited Release Status (LRS) will now be referred to as Holding Period.** Updated language appears in red text. This PHO applies to all Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) members who either have or are seeking installation access at Commander, Fleet Activities Sasebo (CFAS). Japanese Master Labor Contract (MLC) employees and Individual Hire Agreement (IHA) employees of the U.S. Navy are encouraged to follow this guidance to the maximum extent practicable. Uniformed personnel who disobey this PHO (including its enclosures) may be punished under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) for violation of Article 84 and/or Article 92. Non-compliance by all other individuals that either have or desire base access may subject those individuals to administrative measures such as curtailment, debarment, or early return to the United States.

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2. Definitions. The following definitions are derived from references (b), (c) and (f). They apply to this PHO and its enclosures.

a. Close Contact. A person becomes a Close Contact when: i) being within six feet (two meters) of an individual for longer than 15 minutes **cumulative within a 24 hour period**, with or without masks; ii) anyone with whom a person has had physical contact while caring for, living with or visiting; iii) any time an individual visits a waiting room; and iv) anyone having direct contact with an individual's secretions (e.g. being coughed on or sneezed on).

b. Direct Transit. Direct Transit means passing through a prohibited area without exiting (e.g. going through on an expressway and not exiting until transit through the prohibited area is complete; riding a train through a prohibited area without stopping in the area; taking a connecting flight from an airport in a prohibited area without entering the prohibited area for other activity).

c. Fully-vaccinated/Immunized Personnel. **Personnel who completed a vaccine series and are considered immunized; defined as at least two weeks since receiving the final dose in the vaccine series.**

d. Isolation. Isolation refers to separating confirmed Positive Cases from people who are not infected. Symptomatic individuals may also be placed in Isolation pending results from COVID-19 testing. Isolation is medically directed and is precautionary, not punitive.

e. Holding Period. **Formerly known as Limited Release Status (LRS). Holding Period is a variation of ROM. It is a period of time during which SOFA personnel are restricted to U.S. installations, unless the personnel reside in a suitable and established quarters off installation. Personnel residing off-installation shall conduct home-to-installation transit only (no other activities are authorized off installation) and shall only use POV for transport to and from the installation until they complete the entire Holding Period. Walking, riding a bicycle, or using other personal forms of conveyance onto a U.S. installation are not authorized in a Holding Period. Transit between U.S. installations is permitted, but only using POV, GOV, or MILAIR. While aboard any U.S. installation, personnel in a Holding Period may have full access to all installation facilities and services.**

f. Mask. What constitutes a mask is defined in enclosure (3). Applicable guidelines of mask wear is also provided in enclosure (3).

g. Military Installation. Within the scope of this PHO, Military Installation is defined as any area under the operational control of the Secretary of a Military Department or the Secretary of Defense, without regard to the duration of operational control.

h. Positive Case. This refers to a person who has been tested for and confirmed to be infected with COVID-19.

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i. Recovered Positive. **Formerly known as 90-day Recovered Positive Case. An asymptomatic individual who has a positive laboratory confirmed COVID-19 test within the past 90 days and has been subsequently cleared from isolation.**

j. Quarantine. The status of individuals who are restricted in their movements due to their being believed to be exposed to a communicable disease in order to prevent the possible spread of the disease. Quarantine is precautionary, not punitive. Quarantine is medically directed.

k. Restriction of Movement (ROM). A general term for limiting an individual or group's movement to prevent or diminish the transmission of a communicable disease, including limiting ingress and egress to, from, or on a Military Installation. Under this PHO, ROM refers specifically to limited movements imposed due to i) travelers returning from outside of Japan or from high risk areas, **also referred to as Travel ROM** and ii) persons who violate this PHO and potentially exposed themselves to infection.

l. Viral test. A viral test means a viral detection test for current infection (i.e., a nucleic acid amplification test, such as PCR, or a viral antigen test) approved or authorized by the relevant national authority for the detection of COVID-19.

m. Public Health Officials. Either the PHEO or CMA assigned primary medical oversight of units and organizations at CFAS. Also referred to as CFAS Medical.

3. Contact Tracing: In the event that a Positive Case is discovered, Close Contacts of the Positive Case will be placed in Quarantine, Isolation, **or Holding Period** in order to monitor and test for COVID-19. All Close Contacts placed in Quarantine will remain in Quarantine until **Public Health Officials have** verified the immunization history of the Close Contact or otherwise cleared the Close Contact. Per reference (f), **Immunized Personnel** who are asymptomatic are not required to Quarantine if they are a Close Contact once released by CFAS Medical. Similarly, **Recovered Positives** who are asymptomatic also do not need to Quarantine if they are a Close Contact once cleared by CFAS Medical. Immunization cards and medical records will be used by CFAS Medical to determine when Close Contacts are not required to ROM based on this criteria. **Persons who are not required to Quarantine as Close Contacts (Immunized or Recovered Positives) are placed in a 14-day Holding Period per references (e) and (f) starting on the day of last known contact with the Positive Case Close Contact.**

4. Masks. Masks must be worn as directed in enclosure (3).

5. Physical Distancing. Per reference (i), all persons subject to this PHO shall to the maximum extent possible practice physical distancing per the Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines and to the maximum extent possible **maintain at least six feet (two meters) from other people who are not from an individual's household in both indoor and outdoor spaces.**

6. Leave, Liberty, and Prohibited Activity.

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a. General. **Leave is authorized in all areas in Japan designated as Green or Yellow on the CNFJ/CNRJ Japan Prefecture Status Map**, which is included as Map (1) in enclosure (2). The most up-to-date version of Map (1) is available at <https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=1niEn2uoNN8LMFO3p48ls0nFFCaG1nuFf&ll=33.94689283081735%2C134.26384692650748&z=6> and on the CFAS website. If there is a difference in Map (1) and the current map available online, the version of the map online controls.

b. **Liberty is permitted in all areas that are Yellow and Green on Map (1) and any areas on Kyushu that are designated as Green on Map (2)**. If there is a conflict in colors between Map (1) and Map (2) for Kyushu prefectures, **Map (2) controls for liberty purposes only**. Black areas are used only on Map (2) of enclosure (2). Black areas are strictly prohibited for **liberty purposes**. Direct Transit through Black areas is permissible. The most up-to-date version of Map (2) is available at <https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=1Yp9zNiFxBmE7hLbYOQc6fx-j3CYhyUkq&ll=32.66149021171176%2C130.582397926118&z=8&fbclid=IwAR21jMu4FGUPFPAXk53KdGtNVyndHLMbEBbO3vwzMby4guBtXK9rWt-W2LY> and on the CFAS website. If there is a difference in Map (2) and the current map available online, the version of the map online controls.

c. Prohibited Activity. To mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 Delta variant in the surrounding community, I reserve the right to prohibit the consumption of alcohol at off-base establishments within any Kyushu prefectures, through a notice separate from this PHO. Under such a prohibition, patronizing any establishment that is actively serving alcohol would be prohibited within any Kyushu prefecture. All persons subject to this PHO would be personally responsible for ensuring that they are aware of whether an establishment is serving alcohol. Such a prohibition may be eliminated by a separate notice.

7. **Base Access**. SOFA personnel (including military, dependents, retirees, MLC, civilian employees, and contractors) and Sasebo Honorary Membership Cardholders with proper base access privileges may come onboard the installation as long as they have satisfied **Travel ROM/Holding Period** requirements upon entry to Japan and are not coming from a Red area outside of Kyushu or any Black area on Kyushu. Guests of such persons in the categories above may also access base, as long as they are properly escorted by a sponsor. Sponsors shall ensure that guests have not been in a prohibited area within 14-days of accessing base. Sponsors will also ensure that guests follow all applicable rules in this PHO while on base (e.g. proper mask wear). Persons in **Holding Period** may also access the installation subject to the rules for their status. Anyone who enters a prohibited area and who is not in Direct Transit to Sasebo or on official travel must complete a **Travel ROM/Holding Period** per enclosure (1) before they can access the installation, unless an Exception to Policy (ETP) per section (8) is obtained. **Operational commands may impose stricter ROM requirements. Persons attached to vessels or deployable units should ask their direct chain of command to ascertain what additional ROM requirements must be completed.**

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8. ETP Request. Persons who must go to an area designated as Black on Map (2) of enclosure (2) **for personal reasons** must route an ETP to me through their chain of command. Persons traveling to a location off of Kyushu designated as Red in Map (1) of enclosure (2) must route an ETP to Commander, Navy Region Japan through their chain of command in accordance with reference (k). This is not required if travel is on official orders, for official business, or for persons traveling for medical appointments approved by CFAS Medical. Additionally, an ETP from me is required for any other deviation from this PHO. ETPs must include a detailed safety plan and travel itinerary, if applicable. Safety plans should include information about how the individual(s) or group is currently mitigating risk of infection and how they will remain safe during transit or the event. It is recommended to include the vaccination status of everyone involved in the ETP. As I review the request for an ETP, I will consult current data to determine if the activity or desired destination currently poses a high risk for transmission of COVID-19. If travel to a prohibited area is approved, a **Travel ROM/Holding Period** will be required upon return, unless specified otherwise. **Travel ROMs** and **Holding Periods** based on approved ETPs will be determined in accordance with enclosure (1). ETP requests must use enclosure (4) and must be submitted at least 72 hours before the travel or activity begins.

9. Public Transportation. All forms of public transportation are authorized except for persons who are in ROM (**T**Travel ROM, Quarantine, or Isolation) or **Holding Period**, per Enclosure (1).

10. ROM

a. Enclosure (1) contains specific guidance on the variations of ROM. All persons in ROM will sign the Acknowledgement contained therein or a NAVPERS1070/613 to the same effect.

b. ROM and PHO Violations. See paragraph 2(4) of enclosure (1).



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